

### THE PINKERTON INVESTIGATION.

From the National Watchman.

After the People's party members have backed up public sentiment and have forced through the house a resolution to investigate the Pinkerton thugs and murderers, Chairman Oates, of Alabama, refuses to act in the matter. There is a firm determination on the part of "the cowardly Democratic majority" to entirely ignore anything and everything brought forward by the People's party. This man Oates has been a bitter enemy and defamer of the Alliance, and has now turned his efforts toward the People's party. There seems to be no doubt of his intention to stand off this investigation until after election, at least. Every reform paper in the country should pour hot shot into him until he be compelled to do his duty in the matter. It is a disgrace to have an organization in the country that makes such an investigation necessary, but still more disgraceful to have an American congress too cowardly to act upon one of its own resolutions.

### SOL MILLER'S OPINION OF THE KANSAS REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

The platform adopted at the state convention last week is a wonderful piece of mechanism, equaled only by the clock of the Strasburg cathedral. The combination is known only to the committee. The platform of two years ago was a stunner, but this one is a daisy. We have just learned how it was constructed. The committee agreed that they would eat a late supper of kraut dumplings and go to bed and next morning each member should write down what he dreamed and string it together for a platform. They faithfully carried out their plan. We notice that they have saved those 80,000 Methodist votes by putting in a prohibitory plank. It favors the enforcement of all the laws on the statute book, including those enacted for the enforcement of the prohibitory amendment. This is like endorsing the teachings of Christ, including the sermon on the mount, or endorsing the beauty of a pretty girl, including her eyes, her teeth and her features; or endorsing the city of Topeka, including its streets and houses. We withdraw our objections to A. W. Smith's platform of December, 1889. It beats this one.

### "THE SAME OLD WEAVER."

From the Chicago Express.

So says the Chicago Tribune, and for once that unreliable tool of monopoly hit the nail square on the head.

Yes, it's "the same old Weaver." The "same old Weaver" who, in 1880, against the most adverse circumstances, polled 350,000 votes as the candidate of the Greenback party.

The "same old Weaver" who, during his two years in congress, made things so hot for the two old parties that they fairly turned heaven and earth to defeat his re-election, which they accomplished only by outrageous lying and scattering Wall street money like leaves of the forest over his entire district.

It's the "same old Weaver" who made that scathing speech in congress against the government's depositing \$80,000,000 among national banks as a compensation to partisan politicians for services rendered.

It's the "same old Weaver" so noted in political debates for calling things by their right names and giving figures and dates and book and page.

It's the "same old Weaver" whom the farmers and mechanics of the whole country have been booming for president for the past twelve months, and who, next November, will make both Cleveland and Harrison look ten times sicker than did Bismarck when he heard Gresham was going to run.

Yes, Mr. Tribune, "It's the same old Weaver."

### HOW THE TREASURY IS ROBBED.

Millions Paid Out for the Redemption of Duplicate Coupons and Greenbacks.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The officers of the present administration are very quick to discover the shortcomings of their predecessors, and numerous suggestions are made by them of much needed reforms, not only in regard to civil service changes, but in the manner of conducting the routine of business, so as to secure greater economy and protection against fraud upon the government. A prominent treasury official said to-day that the method of keeping books and files and of conducting the general office business in the department had not kept pace with the times, but it is the same of that in vogue when the government was organized. No matter how inconvenient, the old methods have been transmitted from administration to administration, while the methods in private business have been constantly improving. Some of these methods have cost the government millions of dollars, not only in the way of involving greater expense, but because they give opportunity for actual fraud upon the government.

For instance, as Gen. Rosecrans, the present register of the treasury, said today, no precaution whatever is taken to prevent the duplication of bonds or treasury notes should the plates fall into dishonest hands, and he says the government has paid millions of dollars in the redemption of bonds and notes which have been taken from true plates. In 1871 duplicates of coupons on bonds amounting to over thirteen millions of dollars were discovered, and as they bore the signature of Jay Cooke & Co., they were paid by the government. These coupons were undoubtedly taken from the true plates. A record is kept of the redemption of bonds by number and designation and of their cancellation, but no record is kept of greenback notes, consequently there is no way to prevent the redemption of any number of copies of the same bank note.

When a private bank contracts for the printing of its notes the contractor is made responsible for any duplication, and if a duplicate is discovered the contractor is to pay for it. But the government has no recourse. The general suggests that the present administration shall issue a new series of notes, with all the modern improvements as to paper, style and form and precautions similar to that adopted by private bankers against duplication should be taken.

But this seems a hard matter, and as the case stands these scoundrels have everything to suit themselves, as they are certainly backed in their nefarious work by some person high in government favor, and it seems almost impossible to unearth this bold and successful scheme, or even to get the slightest clue to whom they deal with and how long the fraudulent issue of greenbacks has been going on is a hard matter to say, as they carry on their work with such secrecy that there is no chance of bringing them to justice. As the work is so perfect it is a proven fact they are in collusion with the engraving department, and this accounts for the millions of greenbacks that have been issued without the knowledge of the government. Thousands of dollars of this spurious issue has been used by the Republican party to further their interests on election day, and it is positively asserted that officials high in government favor have been sending these spurious greenbacks to their friends to be distributed on election day.

As the case stands these people of New York have everything their own

way, for through their smart work they do everything in perfect safety, and there is not the slightest chance of detecting them, or the people they trade with. One thing is certain, their work is so perfect that it defies the smartest detectives and experts to unearth them. So clever do they cover up their movements, and from investigations by the treasury experts it seems impossible to tell their work from the genuine, for it seems to be a positive fact that they are in possession of duplicate treasury plates exactly the same as those in use by the government, and the paper is similar to that used by the government. It is a profound mystery how and from whence they obtain it. However, there is one startling fact which has lately been discovered. Thousands of dollars of the denominations of ones, twos, fives and tens, have been purloined from the department at Washington, by whom it never will be known, as there is not the remotest chance of detecting the guilty persons or those who are using them, and it is a positive fact that the rogues were in league with some one holding a high position under Republican rule. It is also supposed that there are in circulation silver certificates of the denominations of ones, twos and fives; but from what J. C. Walker, the government expert, says, they are more liable to be detected than the greenbacks spoken of above, as the silver notes are printed on poor paper, the engraving and printing not extra fine, and a good judge would discover the defects in them, but the greenbacks which the New York scoundrels are dealing in are so fine and clever that there is not one chance in ten thousand of detecting them, and all the detectives can do has failed to unearth the least clue as to how they obtain them or discover those who are using them.

It has puzzled them not a little to ascertain why they offer them so cheap, as they are certainly as valuable as the genuine, and the only conclusion they can reach is that the party in New York do not want any excitement by using them in the same city they make their headquarters and do their trading. Since it is a well known fact that there are thousands of them in circulation in New York City, passing from hand to hand through our best judges of money, men in all kinds of business, and they cannot detect them.

### The Sixth Avenue Hotel.

When in the city of Topeka, stop at the Sixth Avenue hotel, 107 East Sixth avenue. W. M. Speck, the proprietor, is an accommodating gentleman, and will make your stay a pleasant one. Meals first-class, nice rooms and good beds. This hotel is Alliance headquarters, where you will see state Alliance officials and prominent Alliance men.

### POEMS BY WHITTIER, LONGFELLOW & TENNYSON.

Illustrated. 12 volumes for only 10c. F. W. BENTON, Publishers, St. Louis, Mo.

### AGENTS WANTED ON SALARY

or COMMISSION, to handle the New Patent Chemical Ink Resisting Pen. Agents making \$50 per week. Reserve Broker B.P. Co. 250 LaSalle, St. Louis, Mo.

### SEMI-TROPIC CALIFORNIA.

A home seeker's book on semi-tropic lands, climate, soil, industries, products, homesteads and other claims, etc. Invaluable to home seekers, tourists or capitalists. Illustrated. Price, 25c, postpaid. PICTORIAL A.M. PUB. CO., St. Louis, Mo.

### Chicago & Alton R. R.

8:45 A. M. Kansas City Day Express Runs Daily, connects in Kansas City Union Depot with all night trains for the west, southwest and northwest. Has Ladies' Palace Day Cars, free of extra charge, Day Cars and Smoking Cars. Buffet Train Lunch St. Louis to Kansas City.

8:30 P. M. Kansas City Vestibuled Limited Runs Daily, connects in Kansas City Union Depot with all trains for the west, southwest and northwest. It is a solid Vestibuled Train, composed of new and elegant Smoking Cars, Palace Reclining Chair Cars, free of extra charge, and Pullman Palace Sleeping Cars. This is the only Vestibuled Train running between St. Louis and Kansas City.

### ALLIANCE GRANGE LEAGUE

F.M.B.A. Men and others who expect to buy a Buggy or Harness of any kind will do well to send for our handsome illustrated catalogue showing over 100 different styles of Vehicles and Harness. ALLIANCE CARRIAGE CO. Cincinnati, O.

SCOTT HAY PRESS CO. ALL HAY STEEL FULL PRESS CIRCLE KANSAS CITY MO

### UNCLE SAM'S Condition Powder.

IS THE BEST MEDICINE for the General Ailments of Horses, Cattle, Hogs and Sheep. They purify the blood, prevent and cure disease. Honest and reliable, in honest packages; used and warranted for over twenty years. Everyone owning a horse or cattle should give it a trial. Made by EMMETT PROPRIETARY CO., Chicago. Sold by all druggists.

### PEERLESS FEED GRINDERS

Grinds from 100 to 300 Bushels per day according to fineness. Grinds ear corn, oats, etc., fine enough for any purpose. We warrant the Peerless to be the BEST and CHEAPEST MILL ON EARTH.

Write us at once for prices and agency. There is money in this mill. Made only by the JOLIET STROWBRIDGE CO., Joliet, Ill.

(General Western Agents for the CHAMPION WAGON, The Horse's Friend.)

### 150 OVER Reform Books.

Everybody should have our full and complete list of all desirable Reform literature, song books, etc., published. The following are some of the leading books and should be read by everybody whether interested in the reform work or not.

Labor, Land and Law, (Hon. W. A. Phillips.) - \$1.50  
Farmers' Side, (Senator Peffer.) - 1.00  
The Way Out, " " - .10  
Bond-Holders and Bread-Winners, - .25  
Seven Financial Conspiracies, - .10  
The Money Question, - .25

Send for our catalogue of 150 reform works. This is the largest list published, and the books are all sold at publishers' prices. Address

People's Reform Book & News Co. 120 Chestnut St., St. Louis, Mo.

### "ACTINA,"

The Great Restorer!

### ONLY CATARRH CURE.

THROW AWAY YOUR SPECTACLES.

ACTINA is the marvel of the Nineteenth Century, for by its use the Blind See, the Deaf Hear, and Catarrh is impossible. Actina is an absolute certainty in the cure of Catarrh, Pterygium, Granular Lid, Glaucoma, Anisocoria, Myopia, Presbyopia, Common Sore Eyes, or weakened vision from any cause. No animal except man wears spectacles. THERE NEED NOT BE A SPECTACLE USED ON THE STREETS OF THE WORLD, AND RARELY TO BE SEEN WITH STREET GLASSES ABANDONED. Actina also cures Neuritis, Headaches, Colds, Sore Throat, Bronchitis and Weak Lungs. Actina is not a snuff or lotion, but a Perfect ELECTRIC POCKET BATTERY, usable at all times and in all places by young or old. The one instrument will cure a whole family of any of the above forms of disease.

A VALUABLE BOOK FREE on application. Contains Treatise on the Human System, its diseases and cure, and thousands of References and Testimonials.

Beware of fraudulent imitations. See that the name W. C. Wilson, Inventor, Patent No. 341,719, is stamped on each instrument. None genuine without.

AGENTS WANTED TO CONTROL TERRITORY FOR THEM OF PATENT. LARGE INCOME CAN BE MADE. WRITE FOR TERMS.

New York & London Electric Assn. 1021 MAIN ST., KANSAS CITY, MO.